

# Civil Rights

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Any questions regarding civil rights can be directed to any member of the Tennessee Civil Rights Committee or the Civil Rights Officials listed below.

## Your Civil Rights Officials Are

#### **Deputy Civil Rights Officer**



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#### Asian Pacific Islander SEPM



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#### American Indian/ Alaskan Native SEPM



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